GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Utilisation of Education Cess
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fully utilised the funds collected as Education Cess from taxpayers on various education related Schemes and if so, the details thereof since the imposition of the said cess, year-wise and scheme-wise;
(b) if not, the reasons therefor;
(c) the details of the funds spent and remaining amount under this Head during the above mentioned period; and
(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to make potential use of such funds?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a)to (d): The Education Cess comprises of 2% Primary Education Cess and 1% Secondary & Higher Education Cess. The Primary Education Cess is credited to Prarambhik Shiksha Kosh (PSK) and is used to meet part of expenditure on Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) & Mid Day Meal (MDM) Schemes. There is no separate fund to credit Secondary and Higher Education Cess and funds required for secondary and higher education are directly allocated through Budgetary provisions. The details of collection of these Cesses and utilization are as follows:
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(Rupees in crore)
Financial Year Fund collected as Education Cess Utilization from Prarambhik Shiksha Kosh Utilization of Secondary and Higher Education Cess
SSA MDM
2004-05 4159.80 - -

Since Secondary and Higher Education Cess is not credited into any fund, details of utilisation are not maintained by MHRD.
2005-06 5318.62 - -
2006-07 9251.92 - -
2007-08 16368.58 7547.35 2386.91
2008-09 16946.64 7587.59 4104.23
2009-10 17064.72 8415.48 5582.63
2010-11 21527.50 9432.99 6372.00
2011-12 24811.16 11839.82 6166.45
2012-13 30641.47 13508.57 6628.90
2013-14 33902.37 13575.05 6413.19
2014-15 35986.13 15567.67 6755.52
2015-16 21030.48* 13589.13 5709.03
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*Provisional figure upto January/February, 2016.
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